



VERDICT OF \$4200 FOR MRS. STEBBINS IS JURY'S ANSWER

Vergennes Alienation Case
Attracts Large Crowds
In County Court

PLAINTIFF BROUGHT
SUIT FOR \$10,000

Another Damage Case Be-
ing Tried Before The
Jury

A verdict to recover \$4200 was brought in by the jury early Wednesday afternoon in Addison county court, in the case of Mrs. Genevieve Stebbins and her father, H. H. St. Peters, against Charles and Rose Stebbins. Suit was brought to recover \$10,000 on a claim that Charles and Rose Stebbins alienated the affections of the plaintiff's husband, Harry L. Stebbins.

The case has attracted considerable interest and the court room has been so crowded with spectators that Judge Chase was obliged to rule that only those who could be seated, should be admitted to the trial. Testimony was started last Friday, and did not close until Tuesday afternoon, when the attorneys began summing up. Judge Chase gave his charge Wednesday morning to the jury, who got the case at 11:40. They were out about three hours before handing out verdict.

On the stand, Mrs. Genevieve Stebbins, who is young and attractive, stated that she was married to Harry Stebbins, Nov. 10, 1920 in Burlington. She further stated that she was taken to the home of the groom's parents where she was forced to assume more the position of a servant than of a bride. Finally, she stated conditions became unbearable, and her husband took her away from his parents' home. The bridegroom, however, according to the girl's testimony did not stick by his guns, leaving her early in March. Since that time, she stated, they have not lived together as man and wife. Many witnesses were examined in the case and Harry Stebbins, husband of the girl, when on the stand in cross-examination stated that he did not have any love for his wife, admitting that he married her to protect her because of relations they had previously had. Joseph C. and Lawrence Jones of Rutland and R. W. McCuen of Vergennes (Continued on page seven)

FOCH FINDS LIFE WITH AMERICANS SOME STRENUOUS

Marshal Foch, who has just completed a tour of the country with the American Legion, returned to New York Wednesday, to sail for La belle France on the palatial liner, "Paris". The Marshal had traveled 16,000 miles, visited 42 states, and stopped at 200 cities and towns. He made his 245th speech at Richmond, Va., just before he started west and had received the degree of L. L. D. from 21 American colleges.

FOREFATHERS' DAY NEXT WEDNESDAY

Col. Burtt Secured as Speaker
For The Occasion

Middlebury will observe the time honored Forefathers day as usual this year, in the fitting manner that has been handed down through 80 years.

The exercises will be held Wednesday, December 21, in the Congregational church, as is the custom. The orator, who has been secured for the occasion, is Col. Wilson Burtt, U. S. A., at the present time attached to the Department of the Northeast in Boston. Col. Burtt served overseas with the American army with the rank of general. He is said to be a speaker of unusual excellence and his coming to Middlebury on this occasion is looked forward to with interest. Col. Burtt will speak in the auditorium of the Congregational church at 5 o'clock, having for his subject, "Democracy".

Following the speech by Col. Burtt the annual Forefathers' supper will be served in the church vestry by the Congregational church ladies. Rev. H. C. Newell will act as toastmaster for the after dinner program, which promises to be one of especial interest. Though the after dinner list of speakers is not yet complete, it is announced that President Moody and Rev. C. C. Adams of Burlington will be among those speaking.

Tickets for the supper may be purchased at Frost's Pharmacy, and it is suggested that those desiring tickets should secure them at once as the number is limited to 170.

Barber Elected Trustee

C. J. Barber, prominent Bridport man, was recently elected trustee of the Addison County Trust Company to fill the unexpired term of Dr. J. M. Thomas.

WOOD ALCOHOL IN CONCOCTION TAKEN FROM BOOTLEGGER

Fior Porrego Pleads Guilty
To Transporting and
Selling Hooch

GIVEN \$500 FINE
IN COURT MONDAY

Had Been Peddling Booze
Purchased From Rutland
Parties

Fior Porrego, who pleaded guilty to a charge of transporting intoxicating liquor when before Judge Dickens in municipal court Monday morning, is still in the county jail and endeavoring, it is said to raise the amount of his fine, which is \$500 with costs of \$33. Porrego was given an alternative sentence by the court of not less than nine nor more than 12 months at the house of correction.

Porrego was arrested Saturday morning by Chief Barron and Officer Charlie Shaw as he furtively stepped from the southbound train tugging a heavy bag. The officers had been on Porrego's trail for several days, as he has been suspected of bootlegging. When the sleeper pulled in from the south early Saturday morning, Officer Shaw was at the station. He noticed Porrego in the car, and as the alleged bootlegger was about to jump from the train, he sprang the officer, and went back again to his seat as the train pulled out. Thinking that he would be back on the next train, the officers were prepared and met him with open arms. When stopped by the officers Porrego professed surprise, but consented to open his grip. In it were a gallon jug containing liquor and also a gallon syrup can well filled. The booze had a peculiar odor, and while Porrego was taken to jail pending investigation, a sample of the red-eye was taken for analysis. It was found to be a concocted oil composed of three per cent wood alcohol, 35 per cent grain alcohol and a bit of red coloring matter and the balance water. It was found that Porrego had several customers in this vicinity and that some of them had suffered ill effects from drinking the Italian's special "Sund".

When examined in court Porrego, by the aid of an interpreter, claimed that he did not know the stuff was poison, that he had purchased it in good faith as pure from parties in Rutland, and that he had sold it as bona fide liquor. He refused to disclose the names of the parties from whom he said he purchased the stuff in Rutland. Porrego, though well dressed, did not have any money and claimed that he had sold considerable booze on credit locally and that he had not collected his accounts. He claimed that he paid \$16 a gallon for the booze and had been selling it for \$18.

Porrego has been hanging about Middlebury for some time without employment, coming about six weeks ago with a gang of huns.

MIDDLEBURY LOCALS

Mrs. J. E. Crane is at Hanover, N. H., where she was called by the death of her sister.

Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Thompson have returned from Brandon, where they visited friends this week.

Mrs. P. H. Merrill is substituting in grade 5 during the absence of Miss Cole.

A son, Robert Cooper, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Edgar L. Blinn Monday, December 12.

Mrs. Edson Brown has entered the employ of G. T. Champagne as a clerk.

The Cheney phonograph offered by the local post American Legion was drawn last night by Errol Gorham.

E. M. Saunders, who has been ill at his home on Pleasant street for several weeks, is able to be out again.

Mrs. Gertrude Connelly of Burlington is visiting Miss Minnie McDonald and relatives in town.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Methodist church will meet with Mrs. W. N. Cady Tuesday afternoon. De- Albert Foster has returned from Lincoln, where he has been on an extended visit to his sister, Mrs. L. C. Chaffield.

Mrs. Gideon E. Abbey, who has been ill at her home on Washington street for two weeks, is slowly recovering.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas W. Ray and Mrs. Alice Sprague of Brandon were in town Wednesday to attend the Boston Symphony concert.

Miss Rena Mack was given a shower party Tuesday evening at the home of James R. Cartmell by 20 members of the Business Girls' club. Miss Mack was presented an electric grill.

Mrs. Ralph G. Hersom and son, Howard, of LaJunta, Col., and Miss Rilla Hersom of Portland, Me., are guests of their sister, Mrs. Dora H. Lambert, of South street.

Miss Rena Delphia, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Delphia, and William W. Ostryee of Poulney, of the class of '24 Middlebury College, were married Monday in Danby.

Mrs. John H. Fletcher has been called to Albany, N. Y., by the illness of her brother, J. Allen Warner, with pneumonia. Word received this morning states his condition is favorable.

Miss Emma Fuller was in Burlington Saturday to attend a shower party given at the home of Mrs. W. J. Polard for Miss Charlotte Pierpont, State leader of Home Demonstration agents, in honor of her approaching marriage to H. K. Brooks of St. Albans.

BOSTON SYMPHONY PLEASURES MIDDLEBURY AUDIENCE WITH BRILLIANT PROGRAM

What was assuredly Middlebury's most notable musical event, was the brilliant concert by the Boston Symphony Orchestra in Mead Chapel Wednesday evening.

The world-famous orchestra, over 100 in number, directed by their versatile conductor, Pierre Monteux, delighted the large audience by their perfect rendition of several classic numbers, including a symphony by Franck, an episode from the Carnival at Paris, a ballet from the Creatures of Prometheus and the favorite Tannhauser overture. Prolonged applause greeted each number.

MARRIED 25 YEARS

Popular Local Merchant and Wife Are
Natives of Middlebury

Yesterday was the silver wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Rich. There was no observance of the occasion in Mr. Rich's family, owing to the poor condition of Mrs. Rich's health.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Rich are natives of Middlebury, where Mr. Rich has been a popular merchant and business man for 41 years. They were married in the Methodist parsonage December 15, 1896. Rev. F. L. Gooding, at that time pastor of the Methodist church, performing the ceremony. Before marriage Mrs. Rich was Miss Mary Elizabeth Fales. They have always resided here.

AGED MAN DIES

Alfred Marselles Passed Away Friday
at His Home

Alfred Marselles died Friday afternoon, December 9, at 2:45, at the home of his son Joseph Marselles on Seymour street. He was 83 years old and was born in St. Alexandria, Que., November 10, 1839, and was the son of Antoine and Mary (Raymond) Marselles, and is survived by a wife and one son, Joseph, two sisters, Mrs. Della Wilmott of Middlebury and Mrs. Olive Wilmott of Webridge, and two brothers, Naziah Marselles of St. Alexandria, and Vile Marselles of Brandon. The funeral was held in St. Mary's church Monday morning at 9 o'clock. Rev. T. J. Leonard, pastor of the church, officiated. The bearers were Edson Wisell, Emory E. Wisell, Alexander Aumchman, John Signor, Joseph Brown and Jesse Boulija. Burial was in St. Mary's cemetery.

Mr. Marselles was a long-time resident of this village, having come here when a young man. He was in the wheelwright business for many years until his health commenced to fail, when he gave up the business.

MARSHAL FOCH GREETED

Great French Commander Given Stir-
ring Ovation In Brattleboro

Marshal Foch was greeted by 5000 Vermonters as his train stopped for a few moments in Brattleboro Tuesday morning. He was greeted with a rousing welcome as his train pulled into the station at 8 o'clock. The Marshal stepped from his train onto a specially constructed platform, from which he addressed the large crowd. The great French commander spoke in his native language, but his remarks were interpreted.

TRACTOR CAUSES FIRE

Barn and 15 Tons of Hay Burn in
Cornwall Blaze

A barn owned by C. R. Lane of Cornwall, and located about a half-mile from his residence was totally destroyed by fire Friday, December 9. The contents of the barn, which included 15 tons of hay and a tractor, were also destroyed. Sparks from the tractor, which Mr. Lane was attempting to start, caused the fire.

There is a small insurance on the barn and hay.

Gamaliel's Cane Has Rival

Gamaliel Painter's cane, though hard to beat, has a rival. It is now in the Register office and has already astonished many visitors not alone for its huge proportions but for its peculiarly fragrant odor as well.

The cane in question weighs eight pounds, is four feet long and is two inches in diameter. It is pure candy all the way through, stripped red and white and was made in Middlebury by Healy's Sweet shop, which has been featuring Middlebury-made Christmas candies for the past few weeks.

CORNWALL

Schools in town have closed for the holiday vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur D. Parkhill are the parents of a daughter born December 12.

Mrs. Floyd Sperry, who recently underwent an operation for appendicitis at the Fanny Allen hospital, has returned home.

Lieut.-Gov. and Mrs. A. W. Foote and Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Peet attended the state Grange held in Rutland Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Field entertained at supper a party of friends Monday, the occasion being the 15th anniversary of the marriage of their son, Benjamin, to Mary James.

Funeral of Mrs. Jones. The body of Mrs. Ada Shattuck Jones, wife of Alverton G. Jones of Sudbury, was brought here Wednesday and buried in the family lot in Prospect cemetery, in the south part of the town. Mrs. Jones died at an early hour Monday after a brief illness of pneumonia. The funeral was held at her late home at 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, the Rev. Elliott Crossley of Sudbury and the Rev. Walter Thorpe of Brandon officiating.

ORWELL CARRIER CROSSES LAKE ON PRETTY THIN ICE

The first person to cross Lake Champlain on the ice at Chipman's Point this season was A. A. Saunders, of Orwell, mail carrier on the Star route between the Orwell postoffice and Wright, N. Y. Mr. Saunders made the trip on foot last Friday and Saturday. He reports the ice as measuring only 1 1/2 inches in the thickest places.

HOME GAME WITH PENNSY PENDING

Possible They Will Play on
Porter Field May 13

The tentative baseball schedule of Middlebury College is announced this week by Coach Morey and Manager Saur. Excellent games are secured and a particularly fine schedule is in the making, including a home game with Dartmouth, and the possibility of a game with Pennsy in Middlebury.

Two trips are planned, the first one during Easter week and the second trip starting May 29. The games scheduled for the Easter trip are Harvard on April 12, Providence college on April 13 and Williams on April 15. The Blue club meets Dartmouth at Hanover April 22.

Among the teams to play on Porter field are Norwich, Providence, Vermont, Northeastern, Dartmouth, St. Lawrence, Williams, Boston university and Villanova.

The trip starting May 29 includes games with Norwich, New Hampshire State, Amherst, Aggies, Boston College and Northeastern. No southern trip will be taken this year, owing to the expense.

Vermont will play in Middlebury Junior week and it is possible that the University of Pennsylvania will play here May 13.

MIDDLEBURY LOSES TO CADET FIVE

Basketball Season Opens In McCul-
lough Gymnasium With a 48-41
Defeat

In a fast and well contested game in McCullough gymnasium Saturday night Middlebury opened the basketball season by losing to the Norwich cadets by the score of 48 to 41. Marr, the clever Norwich center, won the game in the last half by shooting several baskets in brilliant style.

Middlebury took the lead in the first half of the game, the local quintet presenting an aggressive and effective form. Early in the first period the Blue five scored 14 points, while Norwich was only able to locate the basket for a total of eight points. Not satisfied with the small lead Middlebury, in the last period of the first half by a sweeping aggressive play, added six points to the Blue score. Sikorski, Timberman and Capt. Leonard making long shots. Before the period ended, however, the Cadets located the basket and boosted their score up to 21 points. The period ended with Norwich leading by one point.

The Norwich team started off the second period in whirlwind style and right away took the lead from Middlebury. Marr, August and Clark worked the passing combination in fine style during the last part of the game, and aided by Marr's fast dribbling and clever shooting, outdistanced the Blue quintet.

The star performer of the contest was Capt. Leonard of Middlebury. He contributed 18 points from field goals and 11 from foul shots, the highest individual scoring in the game. Hardy worked well with Leonard and Sikorski and Lacy played well at guard positions.

Party in Grange Hall

An enjoyable card party was held in Grange hall Tuesday night. Progressive whist was played and sandwiches and coffee were served. The head prize was won by Mrs. Ira J. Baldwin and the foot prize by Harry H. Hayden.

EAST MIDDLEBURY

Ned Bryant was a business visitor in Burlington last week Thursday.

Mrs. J. B. Bryant and Leslie Day were business visitors in Burlington Wednesday.

Kenneth Danforth of Winoski was a guest of his mother, Mrs. Eva Leno, last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Carle of Woodhaven, L. I., are visiting Mrs. M. E. Grant for a few days.

Mrs. Eva Leno, who has been home for 10 days, has returned to Middlebury to care for Mrs. Carey who is ill.

There will be a business meeting of the Community club at the new Club rooms next Wednesday, December 21. Supper will be served and all are invited.

SHOREHAM

Miss Mary McAuley entertained the Clover club on Wednesday.

A social will be held in the Community house next week Friday evening. The Ladies' Aid society realized \$250 from the sale and fair held December 7 and 8.

Mrs. Robert Shackett passed the week with friends in Rutland and Pittsford.

Mrs. Alverton Baker of Poulney is home, called by the illness of her father, Louis Lapell.

Word has been received that Mrs. Albia Frost, who recently underwent an operation in the Rutland hospital, is doing well.

400 HUNGRY MEN EAT 180 CHICKENS BAKED INTO PIES

Bible Class Makes Merry
Monday Night At Inside
Inn

PROMISED BANQUET
A BIG SUCCESS

Fine Program of Speeches
Follows Excellent Chick-
en Pie Supper

It takes considerable food to satisfy 400 hungry men. That's what the Business Men's Bible class of the Memorial Baptist church found out Monday night. Here is what was required to fill the stomachs of the 400 who sat down at the festive board Monday night.

180 chickens
24 big chicken pies
1000 rolls
2 1/2 bushels potatoes
200 pounds of squash
18 cakes
10 gallons ice cream
7 pounds of butter
10 pounds of coffee
18 quarts of cranberries
And 30 waiters were required to serve the banquet.

Standing out in the darkness like the cheerful mess house in a slumbering lumber camp when the day's work is done, the Inside Inn shone with cheery light Monday night on the occasion of the long-looked-for banquet of the Business Men's Bible class. It was an affair that was far better than even those responsible for the get-together dreamed possible. There were 400 served, and everyone had all he wanted, but there wasn't much left in the kitchen but dirty dishes when the curfew rang.

The Inside Inn was turned inside out, or nearly so, when the army started tramping through its frail summer doors. The banquet was scheduled for 6:30, and promptly on the minute the rows of long tables, neatly laid and decorated with potted plants, were filled.

An excellent old-fashioned chicken pie supper, with all the essential fixings, remarkably well cooked and served, seemed to go right to the spot, and brought forth smiles of approval from every table. The catering was done by Mrs. Arthur Bissette and was very well handled. The ice cream was made in Middlebury by Healy's. Music was furnished by College orchestra.

Following the supper Rev. H. L. Howard, who acted as toastmaster of the occasion, thanked the men for coming and expressed delight that the Men's class were able, with the help of the men from other denominations than the Baptist, to plan, arrange and consummate such a fine get-together meeting. Mr. Howard first introduced as a speaker President Moody of the College. The President was in a particularly jovial humor on this particular night and amused the large crowd with several interesting little stories. Speaking seriously, President Moody touched upon the importance of Bible study and commended the Men's Bible class in starting a movement that has resulted in getting the men of the community together in such a friendly and beneficial way. He emphasized the importance of the churches and their influence for good in a community and urged the men to offer their own support and not leave their church duties to their wives and daughters. The President said that a body of men such as was gathered together that night had the opportunity to accomplish untold good in bettering conditions in community life.

Rev. W. H. Davison, secretary of the Baptist convention, was unable to be present on account of illness, but W. F. Sturtevant, assistant superintendent of the convention, was there. He made (Continued on page seven)

CHRISTMAS SUGGESTIONS

WHITE IVORY WARE
PERFUMES
HAIR BRUSHES
SAFETY RAZORS
TOILET WATERS
SACHET POWDER
FACE POWDER
COMPACTS
WRITING PAPER IN BOXES
FOUNTAIN PENS
SHARP POINT PENCILS
TOILET SOAP
APOLLON CHOCOLATES
CHINA - CUT GLASS
SILVER WARE
POST CARDS and
BOOKLETS
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BULBS in
GIFT BOXES
Temple Incense and Burners
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